

ASQUITH RESIGNS HIS PORTFOLIO

Has Held Premiership Through Eight Stormy Years

EXPECT MANY CHANGES

Andrew Bonar Law Has Been Selected By King George to Fill the Vacancy

London, England, Dec. 5.—The government crisis found a solution today, which up to the hour of its announcement was considered the least probable or practical alternative. Herbert H. Asquith resigned the premiership which he has held through eight stormy years of domestic and foreign policy. The Unionist leader, Andrew Bonar Law, was summoned to the palace immediately after Mr. Asquith had resigned the premiership which he had accepted from Mr. Asquith's hands.

No announcement regarding Mr. Bonar Law's decision has yet been made and there is some doubt whether he will accept the heavy responsibility. If he declines it is considered certain that the honor will fall to David Lloyd George. The continuation of the coalition cabinet, with some changes in its membership and the pushing up of the war management will be the policy in every event.

The premier's decision to resign advises the king to summon Andrew Bonar Law to form a cabinet, as taken after a day of extraordinary political excitement and activity. There were constant comings and goings of the political leaders between Downing street and the various government departments. Mr. Asquith left several Unionist leaders in consultation, including Earl Curzon, Lord Robert Cecil and the Earl of Derby.

Noticeable absences from this conference were A. J. Balfour, who is ill, and David Lloyd George, who is ill, and David Lloyd George, who is ill.

Late in the afternoon the premier left his supporters. The meeting lasted for more than an hour and it is supposed that Mr. Asquith explained to his supporters that he was faced by almost insuperable obstacles to the reconciliation of his conflicting interests and intended to tender his resignation. Almost immediately the premier drove to the palace and had an audience with the king.

It is now regarded that when Mr. Asquith was asked in the house of commons yesterday if a food dictator had been appointed he replied sharply: "I don't like a food dictator."

There is much talk tonight of the possibility of general election. Mr. Bonar Law would first form a cabinet. He takes office as it is necessary that the government be carried on and then go to the electors for a ratification of his administration.

There is opposition, however, to any political campaign which must necessarily divert the country's energies from the war work while it lasted, and the new government may decide to go ahead, with the approval of the house of commons only, and not of voters.

The part David Lloyd George is playing in the crisis was plainly demonstrated today. Mr. Lloyd George's chief has supporters in both camps, his strongest Liberal friend, Lord Robert Cecil, and Mr. Lloyd George's desk.

It was significant to onlookers also, that Mr. Bonar Law refrained from attending the conservative meeting at Mr. Asquith and Lord Curzon's apartment to report him at the Colonial office immediately after the conference was over.

Mr. Asquith's retirement has taken so many men by surprise that they are not ready to predict the results. It is possible that Mr. Asquith will remain in the cabinet with Mr. Bonar Law taking the post of chief of the chamberlain, in which it has long been considered he might find a pleasant berth, is discussed.

Robert Samuel's promotion from his home secretariatship to the post of Mr. Bonar Law's secretary is also a point in the treasury is a prediction, while acceptance of the resignation of Viscount Grey and A. J. Balfour, which some of the papers looking Mr. Lloyd George are abandoning, is less likely under Mr. Bonar Law's regime than if Mr. Lloyd George were to come into power.

The Labor party certainly will hold more important part in any new government than it has been filling in the past.

The more sensational London papers have enjoyed three or four days of almost frenzied excitement, with headlines and denunciations often in the strongest terms than the dignity of British politics has permitted in the past.

"The strong man wins," was the motto of the latest addition of the Evening News, which is Mr. Lloyd George's organ, and "Asquith stands" is the placard of the Liberal Standard.

Herbert Henry Asquith became premier of Great Britain in 1908, succeeded Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman.

Mr. Asquith at once began a policy of reform—parliamentary, social and constitutional—of a radical nature. He was defeated by David Lloyd George, with whom today he is apparently at odds. Shortly after the war the Liberal Standard began to be associated by its political enemies, particularly with the naval branch of the party.

THE HOUSEWIFE'S PROBLEM

To Keep the Cost of Living from Soaring Out of Sight.

Chicago, Ill., Dec. 5.—Care in marketing and pains in the planning and preparation of meals offer the housekeeper the best weapon to combat the high cost of food. This was the conclusion of the dietary committee which maintained the two weeks experiment to prove that good meals can be supplied for 10 cents a day. The experiment, in which 12 employees of the city health department participated, ended today with a net gain in weight of 45.75 pounds. The cost of the daily menus averaged a trifle over 30 cents.

Nine maxims to cut the cost of living were promulgated tonight by Dr. John D. Robertson, health commissioner; Miss Lillian Kemp, director of a school of domestic arts, who had charge of the preparation of the meals; and Miss Anna C. Johnson, a dietitian.

These are the maxims:

Watch market and food advertisements daily.

Menu making requires time and careful thought, especially with regard to adequate amounts.

Overestimating means additional expense.

Watch table refuse; it will be a guide both in planning and buying.

Go to market and make your own selection, thereby getting better values.

Buy staples in bulk.

Buy fruits and vegetables in season.

Limit use of butter and eggs, especially while present high prices prevail.

Use business methods in your house-keeping.

BERLIN'S REPLY ON ARABIA IS RECEIVED

ASKS FOR INFORMATION IN HANDS OF GOVERNMENT

Washington, D. C., Dec. 5.—A preliminary reply from Germany to the request for information concerning the sinking of the British ship Arabia was cabled to the state department today by the American embassy at Berlin.

It said a submarine commander had reported attacking the ship believing her to be an unarmed transport and asked that the United States inform the imperial government of any information it might have on the subject and on the character of the vessel. It is understood that the German request will be complied with but it is uncertain whether a statement of the American government's views will accompany the information or be withheld pending a further communication from Germany.

A similar situation exists in regard to the case of the British ship Marina on which six American horse tenders lost their lives and the capture of which is in dispute. The Arabia, of the Peninsular and Oriental passenger line, according to survivors, was torpedoed without warning. One American aboard escaped.

A review of facts concerning Germany's recent submarine activities in the hands of President Wilson and action on any of the cases at issue await word from him.

It was announced at the department today that Austria-Hungary had been asked to make an investigation of the sinking of the American steamer Chemung in the Mediterranean November 25.

Late in the day a brief consular dispatch announced the sinking of the Italian steamer Palermo with 25 Americans aboard off the Spanish coast. It gave no details.

McDaniel Acquitted of Murder.

St. Joseph, Mo., Dec. 5.—Oscar D. McDaniel, prosecuting attorney of Buchanan county, was acquitted by a jury in the criminal court here tonight of the charge of having murdered Mrs. Harriet Moss-McDaniel, his wife. The jury reported at 9:25 o'clock, after having considered the case two hours.

Mrs. McDaniel was found beaten and dying, her skull crushed, in her bedroom here about 12 o'clock the night of July 14. She died the next morning.

Mohr Badly Beaten.

New York, Dec. 5.—George "Knock Out" Brown of Chicago out-fought Bob Mohr of Milwaukee in every round of a 10-round bout in Brooklyn tonight.

British forces. So bitter was the campaign that on May 26, 1915, a coalition cabinet was formed with Asquith retaining the portfolio of prime minister.

The present political crisis in Great Britain apparently had its origin in a similar situation, especially on account of the government's postponement of consideration of the British air board's demand for fuller powers to meet the situation created by German air raids on England, the recent change in the command of the British fleet by which Vice Admiral Sir David Beatty was made head of the grand fleet, and especially by Mr. Lloyd George's demand for a smaller war council.

Mr. Asquith in parliament today admitted that there was trouble in his cabinet and that he had asked King George to permit a reconstruction of it. Just how it was proposed to change the ministry was not stated, but the prime minister said that he desired to make it perfectly plain that whatever method of reconstruction was effected it would involve no departure from the policy already announced by the government since the beginning of the war.

GRIP TIGHTENS ON BUCHAREST

Forces of Central Powers Daily Drawing Closer In

SERBS AGAIN ACTIVE

Italian Steamer Sunk Off Spanish Coast With 25 Americans on Board

The political crisis in Great Britain has resulted in the downfall of the coalition cabinet headed by Herbert H. Asquith as prime minister. The resignation of Mr. Asquith has been accepted by King George, who has tendered the portfolio to Andrew Bonar Law, Unionist leader in the house of commons. Should Mr. Bonar Law decline the appointment the feeling in London is that David Lloyd George will receive the tender.

In Rumania the forces of the central powers are continuing their drive, which is daily bringing them nearer Bucharest. Already almost encompassed on the south and southwest the capital is being rapidly approached from the northwest and west, with the Russians and Rumanians nowhere able to stem the tide. The encircling movement in the northwest from the region of Tergoviste and Petrosita is dangerously threatening the town of Ploesti and the only railroad running from Bucharest except to the east. If the press of the Teutons is maintained, the indications are that they will soon be at the doors of the capital.

Berlin says the Russian attacks everywhere have been without avail.

On the Macedonian front the Serbians north of Budimirka have taken additional fortified positions from the Bulgarians. The Bulgarians in this region are said to be retreating.

Artillery duels and here and there small attacks by infantry continue to prevail on the western front in France and Belgium.

The Austro-Italian war theatre has been barren of important events.

The Italian steamer Palermo has been sunk off the Spanish coast, according to dispatches from Madrid. The steamer is said to have had 25 Americans on board. One sailor, reported to have been an American, died as the result of wounds.

After December 15, under an order of the British board of trade, no mail in the evening exceeding three courses or two courses at any other time may be served in hotels, restaurants or public places. Meatless days in the British Isles are also in prospect.

Supplies of coal in Great Britain to vessels other than British or entente allied craft and neutrals "who have undertaken to use their vessels in such a way that British or allied interests are benefited," can no longer be guaranteed, according to an announcement by the British embassy in Washington.

WILLARD WILL MEET GEORGE CARPENTIER

BOUT STAGED FOR BENEFIT OF FRENCH RELIEF FUND

New York, Dec. 5.—Tentative arrangements for the appearance of George Carpentier, the French heavyweight champion, in a local boxing arena for the benefit of a French war relief fund are expected to be completed within the next 48 hours. Tex Rickard, who is endeavoring to stage the bout, plans to pit the famous French pugilist against Jess Willard in a ten round no decision bout in Madison Square Garden late in February. Both Carpentier and Willard have given their verbal agreement for the bout. It was necessary to obtain the assistance of a French Relief association if Carpentier was to get a fight.

It is understood by those most interested in the proposed contest that the French army authorities have agreed to give Carpentier the desired leave of absence. Contracts between Carpentier, the officers of the American fund for French wounded, and Promoter Rickard have been drawn up in triplicate and one of these is thought to have arrived in Paris today for the signature of the French pugilist. The contract, which stipulated that Carpentier should meet any white boxer selected by Rickard, calls for the payment of \$25,000 to the American fund for French wounded, \$20,000 to Carpentier in addition to \$1,000 for his traveling expenses and a like amount for his share of the moving picture receipts.

Another Belgian Relief Fund.

Baltimore, Md., Dec. 5.—A gift of ten thousand lire, about two thousand dollars, from the Apostolic See of Rome, around which the children of America are urged to build a large fund for further relief of the children of Belgium, is announced in an autograph letter from Pope Benedict to Cardinal Gibbons, made public here today. The Pope has been moved by his appeal to American children by a recent report from Herbert C. Hoover, chairman of the commission for relief in Belgium, describing "the pitiable situation of numerous Belgian children who, during two sad years, have been suffering from the lack of proper nourishment necessary to sustain the tender existence of budding childhood."

WOULD AMEND PICTURE LAW

To Make Sunday Exhibitions of Movies Strictly Legal.

New York, Dec. 5.—Plans to enlist the aid of the people of the state in an effort to have the law so amended as to make unquestionable the legality of motion picture exhibitions on Sunday were adopted today by the executive committee of the national association of the motion picture industry and representatives of the Exhibitors League of America.

It was decided to distribute to every moving picture theatre in the state slides to be thrown on the screens inviting signatures to what is intended to be a great petition expressing the wishes of patrons of moving picture houses.

Another meeting will be held this week, it was announced, to formulate plans for a legal contest of the recent decision of the appellate division of the supreme court at Albany that Sunday moving pictures were in violation of the law.

WAX IS LOCKED UP IN DEFAULT OF BIG BAIL

WILL BE CONFRONTED BY HIS ALLEGED VICTIMS

New York, Dec. 5.—Charles H. Wax, who, according to the federal authorities has admitted he is the long sought "Oliver Osborne," wanted here to clear up a \$250,000 breach of promise suit against James W. Osborne, a prominent lawyer, arrived in New York city tonight from Chicago in custody of a deputy United States marshal. He will be confronted tomorrow by a number of women who, the authorities say, allege that a man of his description courted them under various aliases, and in some instances swindled them.

"Wax, who was neatly attired, appeared to be in a jovial mood. He became angry when the newspaper men pelted him with questions.

Postoffice Inspector Swain, who accompanied the prisoner here, said Wax admitted to him he was the elusive "Oliver Osborne," and that he "wanted to right a wrong."

"He is a charming fellow," declared Swain. "He is one of the most entertaining men I have ever met—just as the women have described him, brilliant, and very likable."

Wax was taken directly to the federal building upon his arrival in this city. Later he was locked up in the Tombs prison in default of \$50,000 bail. He is held as "a material witness in a criminal case."

At the Tombs Wax told the warden he was "56 years old and an aviator by occupation." He laughed aloud as he said it. He gave his address as Chicago.

One of the women who will confront Wax tomorrow, it was announced, will be known in the proceedings simply as "Miss X," to whom a man answering Wax's description is alleged to have represented himself as Charles Raymond, "an assistant United States district attorney."

James W. Osborne and his wife also will see Wax. Whether Miss Tanzer, who sued James W. Osborne and identified him in court as the "Oliver Osborne" who, she charged, had broken a promise to marry her, will appear tomorrow, was said to be problematical.

If Wax proves to be the original "Oliver Osborne," he will be used in the criminal cases against Miss Tanzer, her lawyers and others.

Thomas Connor, a detective for a local department store, identified Wax tonight as a man who had obtained a position at the store in 1911. Connor said this man stole a \$100 bill from a woman soon after he started to work and that he was convicted and served one year in prison. Coincidentally, officials at police headquarters announce they had received word from the state penitentiary of Oregon announcing that Oliver Osborne had been held for the Oregon authorities. The message stated that "Oliver Osborne" was believed to be a man who was sentenced there on June 13, 1915, five years for forgery, but escaped four months later.

WILL REVISE RACING RULES

Codes in Various Organizations of Horsemen Will Be Made Uniform.

SUFFRAGISTS BOTHER WILSON

Drop Huge Suffrage Banner From Gallery of House

DURING HIS ADDRESS

But President Makes No Mention of Equal Franchise in His Entire Message

Washington, D. C., Dec. 5.—President Wilson's address to congress today was marked by a woman suffrage demonstration in galleries—the first real show of organized militancy in the capitol—and by an ovation of congratulations to the president upon his reelection in which many Republicans joined with the Democrats.

After acknowledging the cheers which greeted his entry to the hall of the house the president launched into his address, reviewing recommendations for railroad legislation, a corrupt practices act, and had passed to his recommendation for a broader government for Porto Rico. He was just about to begin a sentence: "The present laws governing the island and regulating the rights and privileges of this people are not just," when over the rail of the gallery where sat a party of women suffrage leaders, there fluttered down above the heads of an amazed assemblage of senators and representatives a silken banner of suffrage yellow, bearing in great black letters the inscription:

"President Wilson, what will you do for woman suffrage?"

The suffragists said afterwards it was their protest against the president's plea with congress for broader suffrage for the men of Porto Rico while he did not mention their own cause in his address.

A diminutive page, raised on the arms of men directly under the gallery grasped the edge of the banner and snatched it down. President Wilson, attracted by the stir, looked up from his reading and apparently taking the situation at a glance smiled broadly and without hesitation turned his eyes back to his manuscript and continued his address to its end without further demonstration.

Police and gallery guards scurried to where the women were seated but contented themselves with watching the party as it to prevent a further outbreak.

When the session was over the suffragists filed out unmolested by the police who said they had no orders further than to prevent infringement of the rules of the house. The banner remained a trophy of the sergeant of arms of the house.

Miss McVernon of Nevada who heckled the president at his American Federation of Labor speech last July and who smuggled the banner in the house gallery under her coat, kept time and gave the signal for the unfolding of the banner.

Before the police could get to the gallery the suffragists' press agent was busy handing out printed reports of the affair replete in detail giving the names of the militants and interviews with each.

The consensus of their opinion was summed up by Mrs. Abbie Scott Baker of the Congressional Union, who declared the incident was expressive of the indignation that women feel at the opposition to granting the right of self government to most of the people of the United States.

The ten women who participated in the demonstration marched off acclaimed heroines to congressional union headquarters, where they held a reception.

Miss Mabel Vernon of Nevada, Dr. Caroline L. Spencer of Colorado, Miss Florence Bayard Hill of Delaware, Mrs. John Rogers of New York, Mrs. Anna Loebner of Pennsylvania, Miss Jess H. Peapack and Miss Maude Gilbert of California, Mrs. W. L. Colt of New York, Miss Lucy Burns of the Congressional Union and Mrs. Townsend Scott of Maryland composed the suffragette party. The first five held the banner and the latter five acted as guards, prepared to resist interference. The women had carried on their preparations so carefully, however, that none of the hundreds of spectators surrounding them had any inkling of their plans.

The demonstration, say the suffragettes, worked well enough to suit them even if it failed to draw any acknowledgment and they plan something more startling next time.

Miss Lucy Burns declared the suffrage question was the only one before congress today when President Wilson finished reading his address. "When he finished," said she, "the senators and representatives on the floor turned toward us and uttered one word—'suffragettes.' No one said 'Admission here' or 'Porto Rico.' We felt that we did our duty today and we never should have forgiven ourselves had we overlooked it."

"Has the White House issued any statement about it?" was the query of the suffrage leaders.

Up to a late hour tonight, however, the White House had not and there were no indications on whether or not the President was much put out.

Aside from the suffrage incident the demonstration of welcome which greeted the President was the feature of the session. Many Republicans joined in applause and cheering which

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Chicago, Ill., Dec. 5.—The farmer, like the manufacturer, should fix the price of his product, said G. E. Prater, Jr., of Paw Paw, Mich., manager of a co-operative fruit handling company, in addressing the National Conference on Marketing and Farm Products here this afternoon.

Mr. Prater said he had observed great "bullish" enthusiasm among commission merchants seeking the business of growers but wonderful "bearishness" on arrival of fruits at the commission house.

"Fruit growers of Michigan," said Mr. Prater "still are facing the problem of whether to continue the old method of consigning their fruit (thereby letting the 'other fellow' set the price) or to try to interest individual cash buyers in their product."

"The individual association cannot afford to maintain an efficient marketing organization because of limited business and the short time its products are on the market. Hence, Michigan's great need is a federation which will provide a selling center for the entire season's produce of the state, or, at least, furnish a source whence information on any given product may be obtained from a dependable shipper."

After the formation of the Michigan fruit growers' organization, Mr. Prater said in closing, Michigan grapes rose to a parity in price with those of other sections. In the last five years, he said, the traveling grape buyer had been a curiosity in his territory.

BRITAIN REFUSES COAL TO U. S. SHIPS

SERIOUSLY THREATENS COMMERCE OF AMERICAN OWNERS

Washington, D. C., Dec. 5.—Curtailed of coaling privileges at British ports is threatening far reaching effects on American shipping and while representations have been made to Great Britain by the state department, it is realized here that it may be difficult to obtain any alleviation of the tightening restrictions imposed by the British authorities.

Great Britain's inability to guarantee bunker coal to any vessel not utilizing it "in such a way that British or allied interests are benefited," was announced today in a statement by the British embassy in the form of a memorandum drawn up in London. The announcement is the first public expression, officials say, of a policy which has in fact been in operation for some time and which has brought forth protests by this country in several cases. Many American ships have been refused coal, it is declared, and consequently held up for from three days to a week with a resulting heavy loss to their owners.

The general effect of this policy, officials believe, will be to seriously embarrass all independent American trade with non-allied countries. It is declared that trade between this country and the Philippines, for instance, can be conducted only under the greatest difficulties, as Great Britain owns most of the coaling stations along the way. Trade to South America is expected to be crippled also because most of the coaling facilities are owned by the British.

The German submarine campaigns are believed here to be largely responsible for the new ruling, that inroads on world shipping influencing the allies to conserve their vessels and fuel. Not only is there a shortage of ships for the carrying trade, it is said, but a desire to hold as few vessels as possible in carrying coal to various stations about the world.

FIRE PREVENTION URGED

Safety First Federation Will Discuss That as Important Matter.

Baltimore, Md., Dec. 5.—Fire prevention will be one of the most important subjects discussed at the second annual convention of the Safety First Federation, which begins here December 7. Many devices for the safety of life, limb and property will be illustrated and demonstrated.

With statistics showing a national fire loss of \$56,000,000 per year, the Safety First Federation, two years ago, undertook a country-wide campaign of education in an effort to cut down this tremendous loss, which was declared to have been largely due to carelessness, and to protect life. On invitation of the Federation, in 1915, the governors of thirty states issued proclamations setting aside October 9 as Fire Prevention day. This year the movement received added impetus owing to a proclamation by President Wilson, making October 9, a National Fire Prevention Day, which was augmented by proclamations by the governors of many states. More than 500 cities, representing every state in the union, took part in the observance of the day. Reports of loss cut down and actual savings made possible, came to the Federation from all sides.

Want Detailed Information.

El Paso, Texas, Dec. 5.—An urgent request that the Carranza government, through its representative in Washington be asked for detailed information about Americans in Chihuahua City, was sent by United States government agents here today. Reports from the Chihuahua state capital saying Americans and other foreigners were safe, were doubted by the government agents here.

ROBBERY WAS NOT MURDER MOTIVE

According to Evidence Presented By the Prosecution

MONEY ON VICTIMS

Prosecution Expected to Close Its Case Against John Edward Teiper Today

Buffalo, Dec. 5.—The prosecution in the case of John Edward Teiper, on trial for the murder of his mother, today tried to show that robbery was not the motive of the double killing in the Orchard Park road last January. W. E. Burke, keeper of the county morgue, swore that about \$32 in money and a gold watch and other jewelry were found on the body of Frederick Teiper after the tragedy. John E. Teiper, in his stories of the murders has maintained that a small sum of money and his watch were taken from him. Later these were found in a field nearby.

Further testimony as to Teiper's financial affairs was given today. C. Harry Teiper, brother of the defendant, unexpectedly called by the people swore that about \$18,000 had been advanced to John Edward as part of his quarter share in the \$157,000 estate left by their father. About a month before the murder, said the witness, John Edward had asked that \$20,000 more be advanced that he might buy the brick plant which he had been operating on a lease. There had been family discussion of this but no action had been taken up to the time of the murders, according to Harry Teiper.

Otto Churchill, cashier of the bank of Ithaca, testified that on January 30, 1916, Teiper owed the bank \$7,300, all but \$400 of which was covered by mortgages. Mr. Churchill gave detailed testimony of Teiper's dealings with the bank.

Police Chief Martin and Detective Jeremiah M. Lynch of the Buffalo police department, who were in the room at police headquarters when Teiper corrected a signed statement of the facts of the tragedy, told of Teiper's admission of ownership of the revolver which he had previously denied. They said that the admission came after Wesley C. Dudley, then district attorney, had telephoned to the man who sold the revolver. Edward R. O'Malley, chief of counsel for the defense, brought out that Teiper showed no agitation or sign of fear at the time.

District Attorney Moore tried to introduce in evidence the statement made by Teiper on that occasion but the defense insisted that it must have an opportunity to inspect the document. Adjourment was taken till tomorrow for this purpose. In the argument over its admission it was indicated that the defense will not raise the contention that it was obtained by third degree methods.

The prosecution is expected to complete its presentation of testimony tomorrow. The defense has subpoenaed about 30 witnesses, most of whom, it is said, will testify to Teiper's good character and the friendly relations between the members of the Teiper family. Whether Teiper himself will take the stand has not been decided.

FOUR MASSACHUSETTS CITIES VOTE "DRY"

NEW BEDFORD KEEPS TO WET COLUMN BY REDUCED MARGIN

Boston, Mass., Dec. 5.—No license forces gained four new successes in the election held in 15 Massachusetts cities today. Fall River, Haverhill, Leominster and Taunton shifted from the wet to the dry column. The license advocates were not successful in effecting any changes, Groton, Salem, Cambridge and Waltham remaining wet.

New Bedford, while keeping to the wet column, did so by a greatly reduced margin. The vote count for license last year was cut from 2,229 to 194 after a sensational campaign in which Protestant and Catholic clergymen united to make the city dry.

The shift of Fall River into the dry column marked the end of a long, persistent fight that had been waged by clergy of all denominations against liquor interests. It was the first victory for the no license forces since 1898.

Only 11 of the cities elected mayors this year and of this number not one was chosen as a Democrat. The Republicans were successful in seven contests, the other four bearing no national party designation.

A feature of the election in Springfield was the vote on substituting a so-called federal charter for the old one. The voters decided to retain the present form of government.

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was led on the floor by William Jennings Bryan. It was said to have been the most prolonged outburst of its kind since the President began the custom of reading his address in person nearly four years ago.

The President's Address.

In fulfilling at this time the duty laid upon me by the constitution of communicating to you from time to time information of the state of the Union and recommending to your consideration such legislative measures as may be judged necessary and expedient I shall continue the practice, which I hope has been acceptable to you, of leaving to the reports of the several heads of the executive departments the elaboration of the detailed needs of the public service and confine myself to those matters of more general public policy with which it seems necessary and feasible to deal at the present session of the Congress.

I realize the limitations of time under which you will necessarily act at this session and shall make my suggestions as few as possible. But there were some things left undone at the last session which there will now be time to complete and which it seems necessary in the interest of the public to do at once.

The Railroad Problem.

In the first place, it seems to me imperative necessary that the earliest possible consideration and action should be accorded the remaining portions of the program of settlement and regulation which I had occasion to recommend to you at the close of your last session in view of the public dangers disclosed by the unaccommodated facilities which then existed and which still unhappily continue to exist between the railroads of the country and their locomotive engineers, conductors and trainmen.

I then recommended:

First, immediate provision for the enlargement and administrative reorganization of the interstate commerce commission along the lines embodied in the bill recently passed by the house of representatives and now awaiting action by the senate in order that the commission may be enabled to deal with the many great and various difficulties now devolving upon it with promptness and thoroughness which are, with its present constitution and means of action, practically impossible.

Second, the establishment of an eight hour day as the legal basis of all

work and of wages in the employment of all railway employees who are actually engaged in the work of operating trains in interstate transportation.

Third, the authorization of the appointment by the president of a small body of men to observe the actual results in experience of the adoption of the eight hour day in railway transportation alike for the men and for the railroads.

Fourth, explicit approval by the Congress of the consideration by the interstate commerce commission of an increase of freight rates to meet such additional expenditures by the railroads as may have been rendered necessary by the adoption of the eight hour day and which have not been offset by administrative readjustments and economies, should the facts disclosed justify the increase.

Fifth, an amendment of the existing federal statute which provides for the mediation, conciliation and arbitration of such controversies as the present by adding to it a provision that, in case the methods of accommodation now provided for should fail, a full public investigation of the merits of every such dispute shall be instituted and completed before a strike or lockout may lawfully be attempted.

Control by the Executive.

And sixth, the lodgment in the hands of the executive of the power in case of military necessity, to take control of such portions and such rolling stock of the railroads of the country as may be required for military use and to operate them for military purposes, with authority to draft into the military service of the United States such train crews and administrative officials as the circumstances require for their safe and efficient use.

The second and third of these recommendations the Congress immediately acted on: It established the eight hour day as the legal basis of work and wages in train service and it authorized the appointment of a commission to observe and report upon the practical results, deeming these measures most immediately needed, but it postponed action upon the other suggestions until an opportunity should be offered for a more deliberate consideration of them.

The fourth recommendation I do not deem it necessary to renew. The power of the interstate commerce commission to grant an increase of rates on the ground referred to is indisputably clear, and a recommendation by the Congress with regard to such a matter might seem to draw in question the scope of the commission's authority or its inclination to do justice when there is no reason to doubt either.

The other suggestions—the increase

in the interstate commerce commission's membership and in its facilities for performing its manifold duties, the provision for full public investigation and re-ascertainment of industrial disputes and the grant to the executive of the power to control and operate the railroads when necessary in time of war or other like public necessity—I now very earnestly renew.

New Legislation Necessary.

The necessity for such legislation is manifest and pressing. Those who have interested us with the responsibility and duty of serving and safeguarding them in such matters would find it hard, I believe, to excuse a failure to act upon these grave matters or any unnecessary postponement of action.

Not only does the interstate commerce commission now find it practically impossible, with its present membership and organization, to perform its great functions promptly and thoroughly, but it is not unlikely that it may presently be found advisable to add to its duties still others equally heavy and exacting. It must first be perfected as an administrative instrument.

The country cannot and should not consent to remain any longer exposed to profound industrial disturbances for lack of additional means of arbitration and conciliation which the Congress can easily and promptly supply. And all will agree that there must be no doubt as to the power of the executive to make immediate and unregulated use of the railroads for the concentration of the military forces of the nation wherever they are needed and whenever they are needed.

This is a program of regulation, prevention and administrative efficiency which argues its own case in the mere statement of it. With regard to one of its items, the increase in the efficiency of the interstate commerce commission, the house of representatives has already acted. Its action needs only the concurrence of the senate.

To Safeguard Industrial Processes.

I would hesitate to recommend, and I dare say the Congress would hesitate to act upon the suggestion should I make it, that any man in any occupation should be obliged by law to continue in an employment which he desired to leave.

To pass a law which forbade or prevented the individual workman to leave his work before receiving the approval of society in doing so would be to adopt a new principle into our jurisprudence which I take it for granted we are not prepared to introduce. But the proposal that the operation of the railroads of the country shall not be stopped or interrupted by the concerted action of organized bodies of men until a public investigation shall have been instituted at issue plain for the whole question of the opinion of the nation is not to propose any such principle.

It is based upon the very different principle that the concerted action of powerful bodies of men shall not be permitted to stop the industrial processes of the nation, at any rate before the nation shall have had an opportunity to acquaint itself with the merits of the case as between employee and employer, time to form its opinion upon an impartial statement of the merits, and opportunity to consider all practicable means of conciliation or arbitration.

I can see nothing in that proposition but the justifiable safeguarding by society of the necessary processes of its very life. There is nothing arbitrary, or unjust in it unless it be arbitrarily and unjustly done. It can and should be done with a full and scrupulous regard for the interests and liberties of all concerned as well as for the permanent interests of society itself.

Three matters of capital importance await the action of the senate which have already been acted upon by the house of representatives—the bill which seeks to extend greater freedom of communication to those engaged in promoting the foreign commerce of the country than is now thought by some to be legal under the terms of the laws against monopoly, the bill amending the present organic law of Porto Rico and the bill proposing a more thorough and systematic regulation of the expenditure of money in elections, commonly called the corrupt practices act. I need not labor my advice that these measures be enacted into law. Their urgency lies in the manifest circumstances which render their adoption at this time not only opportune but necessary. Even delay would seriously jeopard the interests of the country and of the government.

Immediate passage of the bill to regulate the expenditure of money in elections may seem to be less necessary than the immediate enactment of the other measures to which I refer, because at least two years will elapse before another election in which for all offices are to be filled, but it would greatly relieve the public mind if this important matter were dealt with while the circumstances and the methods of expenditure can be frankly studied in the light of present experience. And a delay would have the further serious disadvantage of postponing action until another election was at hand and some special object connected with it might be thought to be in the mind of those who urged it. Action can be taken now with facts for guidance and without suspicion of partisan purpose.

Enlarging Our Export Trade.

I shall not argue at length the desirability of giving a freer hand in the matter of combined and concerted effort to those who shall undertake the essential enterprise of building up our export trade. That enterprise will presently, will immediately assume, has indeed already assumed, a magnitude unprecedented in our experience. We have not the necessary instrumentalities for its prosecution. It is deemed to be doubtful whether they could be created upon an adequate scale under our present laws. We should clear away all legal obstacles and create a basis of undoubted law for it which will give freedom without permitting unregulated license. The thing must be done now, because the opportunity is here and may escape us if we hesitate or delay.

The argument for the proposed amendments of the organic law of Porto Rico is brief and conclusive. The present laws governing the island and regulating the rights and privileges of its people are not just. We have created expectations of extended privilege which we have not satisfied. There is uneasiness among the people of the island and even a suspicious doubt with regard to our intentions concerning them which the adoption of the pending measure would happily remove. We do not doubt what we wish to do in any essential particular. We ought to do it at once.

Legislative Annals Enriched.

There are other matters already advanced to the stage of conference between the two houses of which it is not necessary that I should speak. Some practicable basis of agreement concerning them will no doubt be found and action taken upon them.

Inasmuch as this is, gentlemen, probably the last occasion I shall have to address the Sixty-fourth Congress, I hope that you will permit me to say with what genuine pleasure and satisfaction I have co-operated with you in the many measures of constructive policy with which you have enriched the legislative annals of the country. It has been a privilege to labor in such company. I take the liberty of congratulating you upon the completion of a record of rare serviceableness and distinction.

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FINANCIAL AND COMMERCIAL

New York Markets.

New York, Dec. 5.—Monetary conditions in their relations to the stock market were again a factor of primary importance today, though superseded for a time by the interest which attached to the president's message to Congress. Prices were irregular at the outset, moderately unsettled during the mid-session and closed at net gains.

Call loans did not rise above 10 per cent, and fell as low as 6 but money was not especially tight until most pressing needs had been met.

Price movements were accompanied by a mixture of advances and declines. Low grade rails were again in high favor. U. S. Steel moved within a 2 point radius, closing at 12 1/2, a net gain of 14 points.

U. S. Bonds unchanged on call.

	Open	High	Low	Close
Atlas Coal	7 1/2	7 5/8	7 1/2	7 5/8
Am. Ag. Ch.	95	95	95	95
Am. B. Sugar	105	105 1/2	105	105 1/2
Am. Can.	62	62 1/2	62	62 1/2
Am. C. & P.	75 1/2	75 3/4	75 1/2	75 3/4
Am. E. L.	174	174 1/2	174	174 1/2
do pfd.	180 1/2	180 3/4	180 1/2	180 3/4
Am. Ice	28	28	28	28
Am. Lin.	22 1/2	22 3/4	22 1/2	22 3/4
do pfd.	24 1/2	24 3/4	24 1/2	24 3/4
Am. Loe	89 1/2	89 3/4	89 1/2	89 3/4
Am. S. F.	67	67 1/2	67	67 1/2
Am. Smelt.	116 1/2	117 1/4	116 1/2	117 1/4
Am. Sugar	116	116 1/2	116	116 1/2
Am. T. & T.	127 1/2	127 3/4	127 1/2	127 3/4
Am. Wool	54	54 1/2	54	54 1/2
Am. W. P.	65	65 1/2	65	65 1/2
Am. Zinc	60	60 1/2	60	60 1/2
Am. Zinc	98 1/2	98 3/4	98 1/2	98 3/4
Am. Zinc	105 1/2	105 3/4	105 1/2	105 3/4

Doctor Says Nuxated Iron Will Increase Strength of Delicate People 200% in Ten Days

In many instances—Persons have suffered from weakness, nervousness, indigestion, loss of appetite, and other ailments, when their real trouble was lack of iron in the blood—flow to tell.

New York, N. Y.—In a recent issue of Dr. J. C. Nuxated Iron, a well-known specialist who has studied the iron question in connection with the blood, writes: "I have seen many cases of people who are weak and who are suffering from various ailments, but who are not getting any better. The reason is that they are not taking enough iron. Iron is the life-giving element in the blood, and without it the blood is not able to carry the oxygen and food to the various parts of the body. The result is weakness, nervousness, indigestion, loss of appetite, and other ailments. The only way to get the iron into the blood is by taking Nuxated Iron. It is a pure iron preparation, and it is the only one that is absorbed by the body. It will increase the strength of delicate people 200% in ten days. It will also cure the various ailments mentioned above. It is a true blood-builder, and it is the only one that is worth taking. It is the only one that is pure and that is absorbed by the body. 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OTSEGO COUNTY NEWS

NEWS FROM OTSEGO.

Annual Parish Meeting of Zion Church.

Held Monday Forenoon.
 Morris, Dec. 5.—The annual meeting of Zion church parish was held Monday forenoon with the following results:

Worshippers—G. C. Peck, G. A. Yates, Vestymen—C. D. Carpenter, C. G. Porter, H. R. Ripley, H. A. Tanner, J. R. Morris, Geo. Whitman, P. T. Whittman, A. M. Welch.

Auxiliary Meeting.

The regular monthly meeting of the Women's auxiliary of Zion church was held in the parish house this Tuesday afternoon at 3 o'clock. Supper at 6 o'clock, after which the ladies sang and held a social of palm and fancy aprons.

Gone to Albany City Hospital.

Monday, Rev. M. S. Ashton entered the Albany City hospital for an operation for a throat trouble. His many friends hope for a successful operation and a restoration to his former health.

The Evangelistic Meetings.

The three weeks evangelistic campaign came to a close on Sunday evening with a large congregation. A number manifested their desire to lead a better life. The free will offering taken for Dr. Miller, the evangelist, amounted to about \$112.00 and the expenses of the meetings amounted to about \$100, which was met by offerings taken up at each meeting during the campaign.

Leaves This Week for New Field.

Rev. L. B. Russell's last service as pastor of the Morris Baptist church was Sunday evening. He and his family leave this week for their new home at Camillus, near Syracuse, where he has a large field and an increase in salary.

Snack Thieves at Work Again.

Monday morning, while Mrs. Ernest, who lives with her husband in what used to be the Dutch farm house near the old factory schoolhouse and whose husband works on a farm nearby, was out to a neighbor's for a few minutes, a sneak thief got into her house and stole something over \$15 which she had been saving up. They ransacked her drawers, tore the beds to pieces and carpets up until they found the money, leaving the pocketbook on the table empty. Such low down, contemptible business as this is done by someone who should be tarred and feathered and ridden out of town, and if he keeps it up he will be caught in some of his sneaking business, and we hope it will be soon. Mr. and Mrs. Ernest are poor, hard-working German people, respectable and trying hard to raise up a family of three children and had this little ahead and were keeping some of it to use Christmas for their children.

Engineer Gone to New Berlin.

Engineer Teal of the state road force, who with his family have been living here since our state road has been building, has been transferred to New Berlin, where he and his family went last week. He is engaged in surveying for a state road from New Berlin to Edmeston.

WANTED FROM WORCESTER.

Delightful Literary Meeting Held at Home of Mrs. A. D. Finch.

Worcester, Dec. 5.—Monday evening the ladies of the J. L. L. S. were pleasantly entertained at the home of Mrs. A. D. Finch. The occasion was that of a musicale. The study for the year being South America, the thought of that continent was carried out in the program as far as possible.

The Ladies Answered to the Call.

The ladies answered to the call by humorous sketches concerning music, after which the hostess very pleasantly introduced the Argentina Brazila Concert company, who proceeded to entertain the members of the club. Readings, "Music After the War" and "The Crochets and Their Music" were given by Senoras Bessie Wade and Pearl Bellinger, vocal solos were beautifully rendered by Senoras Florence Starkweather and Senora Pearl Bellinger. Instrumental music was furnished by Senoras Lois Fox, Marion Starkweather and Bernice Finch, consisting of piano solos, duets and trios and a violin solo. A musical bonanza was then read, the singing words being filled in by the members.

During the evening several selections were rendered by the violin, which added to the enjoyment of the evening.

The hostess served delicious fruit, salad and waters and the guests departed, all declaring it to be one of the best meetings of the year.

Bakery Opens Next Monday.

The bakery building is being renovated, preparatory to opening for business next Monday, December 11. The new proprietor, Herbert Michaels, is in town this week and has engaged a baker who was also here today to complete arrangements. We expect Worcester people will be glad when fresh, home made bake goods are again for sale.

Officers of Sunday School Association.

The Sunday school conference for the towns of Worcester, Maryland, Westford and Decatur, held at Westford last Friday afternoon, was by far the best held to date in this district. The talks were all very interesting and helpful and the discussion showed that there is a desire to make our Sunday school work more efficient. Delegates from different churches expressed a desire to have similar con-

ferences held with their schools.

The officers elected for the ensuing year were as follows:

President—Rev. C. H. Colegrove, Schenectady.
 Vice President—Rev. Earl Stewart, East Worcester.
 Secretary and Treasurer—John D. Bulson, Worcester.
 Superintendent—E. F. Johnson, Worcester.

Association Superintendent—Rev. R. S. Boyce, Schenectady.
 Elementary Superintendent—Mrs. J. E. Smith, Maryland.
 Secondary Superintendent—Mrs. George Hall, Westford.

Adult Superintendent—Mrs. A. B. Halsestead, Schenectady.
 Teacher Training Superintendent—Rev. W. D. Jones, Worcester.
 Home Department Superintendent—Mrs. C. H. Wright, Worcester.

Missionary Superintendent—Mrs. P. H. Briggs, Schenectady.
 Evangelistic Superintendent—Dr. L. T. Gennung, Worcester.
 Rural Superintendent—Rev. Frank Day, Worcester.

Temperance Superintendent—Miss Emma Cook, Worcester.

New Buick Auto Agency.

Messrs. Harry R. Bickel and C. Leroy Goodell have formed a partnership under the firm name of Bickel & Goodell, and taken the agency for the Buick line of automobiles. They are already showing the new Buick four that sells at \$650 and \$850. Plans for the future are not complete, but it is probable that they will have a show and supply room at some convenient place in town. Both parties have owned and driven Buicks so they can talk from experience.

School Items of Interest.

All departments of the High school opened yesterday morning after the Thanksgiving vacation.

Miss McKensie, the instructor in music, drawing and physical culture, began her work yesterday. She was detained for several weeks on account of the illness and death of her mother.

A telegram was received yesterday announcing the serious illness of Miss Edith King, the preceptress, at her home in Montclair, N. J., where she went to spend the Thanksgiving vacation. Grave fears are expressed of her ability to return and take up her work here again.

Attended Farm Bureau Meeting.

The class in agriculture, with their instructor, Prof. E. D. Elmer, attended the Farm Bureau meeting at Oneonta today. Several farmers from here also attended.

HIGH SCHOOL REOPENS.

Unadilla Teachers Return from Brief Thanksgiving Vacation.

Unadilla, Dec. 5.—The Unadilla High school reopened on Monday morning, after a few days' vacation over Thanksgiving. Miss Gompf spent the vacation in Utica. Miss Wilner in Unadilla. Miss Kilpatrick in Walton. Miss Sullivan in Unadilla. Miss Brown in Unadilla. Miss Lister in Cobleskill. Miss French in Cooperstown. Miss Ford in Youngs. Miss Decker in Unadilla. Mr. Todd in Unadilla. Miss Copley in Unadilla.

To Hold Chicken Pie Supper.

The ladies of the Methodist Episcopal church will hold a chicken pie supper Wednesday evening, beginning at 6 o'clock. Price 25 cents. A fine supper is to be served and all are cordially invited to attend. Supper will be held in the church parlors.

Win Basketball.

The Unadilla High school basketball team defeated the New Berlin High school team at New Berlin on Friday evening of last week by a score of 21-20. This week the team plays at Walton on Friday evening and at Deposit on Saturday evening.

Spend Thanksgiving from School.

Among those who spent Thanksgiving vacation with their parents were: Harlow Loomis of Columbia university, Messrs. Bertha and Mildred Hunt, Fern Sarlinier and Oral Bronghton of the Oneonta Normal school.

High School Debate.

The Senior English class of the Unadilla High school will hold a debate in the High school auditorium on Thursday evening of this week at 8:15. The topic for the debate will be, "Should the United States interfere with Mexico?" The price of admission is only 15 cents and all should attend. Music will be furnished by the school orchestra, and the glue clubs will furnish entertainment. If the debate arouses much interest, debates will be held annually in this place by the school. It is a long while since one has been held in the school and it is hoped that the townspeople will take an interest in it.

SCHENECTADY BULLETIN.

C. H. Graham Hose Company Hold Annual Election of Officers.

Schenectady, Dec. 5.—At a regular meeting of the C. H. Graham Hose company of the Schenectady Fire department held in the hose rooms Monday evening the annual election was held, and the following officers elected:

President—John H. Wild.
 Foreman—J. P. Friery.
 Assistant Foreman—James R. Macduff.
 Treasurer—E. R. Campbell.
 Secretary—Leo B. Bennett.
 Trustee for this year—S. H. Schneider.

Janitor and Propertyman—Honey West.

The following council was appointed by the president: J. P. Friery, Millard Hazen, Evans Merchant, J. P. Brady, L. C. Pice.

The annual reports of the secretary and treasurer were read and approved. It was decided to hold the annual gift dinner and dance on Friday evening, December 22, and Leo B. Bennett.

Change of Date for Supper.

The date of the supper and sale of fancy articles to be held by the ladies of Unadilla Rebekah lodge at their lodge rooms, has been changed from December 15, to Friday evening, December 17.

Meeting of Truth Seekers.

The regular monthly business meeting of the Truth Seekers will be held at the home of Prof. and Mrs. H. Claude Hardy, Wednesday evening, December 6. The pie sale and entertainment which was to have been given on this date having been indefinitely postponed.

Forreces Lyceum Quarter.

Forreces Lyceum quarter will give an entertainment under the auspices of the Epworth league at Chase & Bennett hall on Tuesday evening, December 12. This company consists of a mezzo-soprano, a violinist, reader and baritone and they render a program of unusual versatility. Seats are now on sale at R. V. Tillapaugh's. The league is fortunate in securing a company of this order and the undertaking is sure to meet with success.

CURRENT COLLIERIES COMMENT.

Colliers, Dec. 5.—The proceeds from the fair and chicken pie supper of the Methodist Episcopal church of Cooperstown Junction were \$92, which was very gratifying to the society. Miss Mabel Rifenbark was home over Thanksgiving from Whitney's Point, where she is teaching. Mr. and Mrs. Homer Evans of Troy were callers at P. R. Southworth's Sunday. Lewie Buell spent the week-end with his grandparents at Windsor and friends at Guilford. Leola Quackenbush visited his uncle at Cooperstown over Sunday. Mrs. Elmer Bugbee and Mrs. M. I. Van Deusen are both gaining. The other sick ones are all improving.

LATE LENA LOCALS.

Lena, Dec. 5.—The annual Thanksgiving supper at the hall was well attended and the gentlemen served a very nice supper. Don't forget the grange meeting this week Saturday night, Dec. 9. Election of officers. All members try and be present. Mrs. George E. Eldred is ill with the chicken-pox. The Ladies' Home and Foreign Missionary meeting will meet at the home of Mrs. Katherine Mack Wednesday, December 13, for dinner. A cordial invitation extended to all. If any of the ladies wish to give some pieces for the quilts will they please bring them to the meeting. Samuel Burk is ill with the shingles. James Balcom and family were entertained at Amasa Balcom's at Patent Thanksgiving.

POULTRY SHOW NOW HELD.

Annual Exhibition of Unadilla Valley Association Opened Monday.

Sidney, Dec. 5.—The annual exhibition of the Unadilla Valley Poultry & Pet Stock association opened today in the brick building owned by the D. & H. Grand street adjoining the railroad tracks. The day has been spent in arranging the exhibits of which there are a larger number than last year. This building makes very commodious quarters for this show, something the association has been unable to find heretofore in Sidney. There are 177 entries of poultry, showing 275 exhibits.

Charles Chamberlain of Franklin has the largest variety of birds in the show and Charles Morse of Unadilla, the largest number of entries. Indications are that it will be the most successful show the association has ever held.

Today is a busy one at the poultry show. The managers have hustled the exhibits into position and the judging is now going on and will probably be completed today. The judge is L. M. Green of Cherry Valley and on Thursday he will go to New York to act as judge at a large show being held in that city.

Boulevard Lights to be Considered.

The regular monthly meeting of the village board will be held Thursday evening at which time the plans for lighting Main street by a system of boulevard lights will be discussed. Proposals were recently advertised for this system of lighting to consist of standards with five lights on each, but no one gave them any consideration and it is now probable that the lights will be installed under the direction of the village officials. The board has practically concluded to drop the original plans and install a system of single light standards, using about 11 on the street, which is the method adopted in many places and which gives satisfaction.

Monday Club Active.

The meeting of the Sidney Monday club was held today at the home of Mrs. O. L. Keeler and the question of philanthropy was ably discussed. The meeting next week will be at the home of Mrs. J. P. Friery and will be a Shakespeare afternoon with Mrs. Miller as leader, and a piano solo by Mrs. George Bird. On Saturday of this week the club will conduct a food sale at Taylor Brothers' store for the purpose of raising funds for the maintenance of the public rest room for women which the Monday club has in charge.

Estate of Late Lorena Cartwright.

The executors of the estate of the late Lorena E. Cartwright are about to file a petition for a decree directing the sale of the Cartwright block in this village to conform to the provisions of her will, which directed payment of \$5,500 of specific bequests to relatives and friends, including the gift of \$500 to St. Paul's church, the only bequest Mrs. Cartwright made to charity. Attorney H. J. Sadler represents the executors.

nett, J. P. Friery and James R. Macduff were appointed as the committee in charge. There were 13 members present.

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giving. Miss Ethel Harrington visited her sister, Mrs. Chauncey Yager, last week. Charles Harrington and family were entertained at Ralph Potter's, above Hartwick, Thanksgiving.

Butcherling is about the principal occupation in this vicinity nowadays. Mr. and Mrs. Edson Balcom and Glenn Balcom attended the funeral of Mrs. Harriet Jenks at Hartwick, Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. George M. Augur of Hartwick visited at D. C. Talbot's Sunday. James Balcom and family spent Sunday at Uriah Balcom's, near Noblesville. D. C. Talbot and family and Mrs. Katherine Mack spent Thanksgiving at George M. Augur's at Hartwick. Mr. and Mrs. Dean Mack and son spent Thanksgiving at William Mack's at Hartwick.

Fair and Supper at Otsego.

Otsego, Dec. 5.—On Thursday and Friday evenings of this week the Earnest Workers of the Presbyterian church will hold their thirtieth annual fair and supper. Chicken pie, oyster, scalloped oysters and other palatable dishes will be served at the supper. Fancy and useful articles will be on sale, also delicious home-made candy. Supper from 5:30 until all are served. On Friday evening the High School orchestra will be present and at 8:30 o'clock a musical and literary program will be given.

SPECIAL

This Week for Cash

Hamburg Steak, lb. 18c
 Sausage, lb. 18c
 Frankfurters, lb. 18c
 Liverwurst, lb. 20c
 Swift Premium Hams, lb. 23c
 Armour's Star Hams, lb. 23c
 Bacon, lb. 23c
 Porterhouse, round, sirloin steak 25c
 Beef Roasts, lb. 16 to 20c
 Pork Steak, lb. 25c
 Pork Chops, lb. 22c and 24c
 Pickled Miss' Feet, lb. 12c
 Card Honey, lb. 15c
 Poultry and Chickens, lb. 22c
 Dill Pickles, doz. 20c
 Sour Pickles, doz. 15c
 Onions, lb. 7c
 Kerosene Oil, gal. 10c
 Maple Syrup, pike. 12c
 Dry Beans, lb. 12c
 Lima Beans, lb. 12c
 Winter Squash, lb. 3c
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giving. Miss Ethel Harrington visited her sister, Mrs. Chauncey Yager, last week. Charles Harrington and family were entertained at Ralph Potter's, above Hartwick, Thanksgiving.

Butcherling is about the principal occupation in this vicinity nowadays. Mr. and Mrs. Edson Balcom and Glenn Balcom attended the

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WHITMAN AND STELOW.

The attitude of Governor Whitman in the SteLOW case is one which the public generally will commend. The crime itself was a peculiarly cruel one and the murderer deserved the extreme penalty of the law. It was the verdict of the jury in the trial that SteLOW was guilty, and this opinion was sustained by the appellate court and afterwards by the court of appeals. Then came the King confession, afterwards repudiated, and then application for a new trial on the ground of this and other newly discovered evidence.

There is no doubt that Governor Whitman believes that SteLOW is guilty. He so states and that the King confession is a lie. Nevertheless, he is forced to the conclusion that there is a possibility, perhaps more than a possibility, that the convicted man is not guilty. So he commutes the sentence to life imprisonment. If innocent, his friends will have opportunity to prove it. If he is guilty he will be eliminated as a menace to the public. There has been something of an opinion that Whitman is not a "pardon-giving governor." In the present instance, in view of the finding of so many courts, he would have been justified had he granted no reprieve. That he did grant one is evidence that he has erred, if at all, on the side of mercy.

GERMAN TENACITY.

The one thing about which the allies have opportunity to reflect at leisure in the present war is the tenacity of purpose of the central powers and the stubbornness with which they cling to a point once captured. When the war broke out, it is true, there was a partial retreat after the drive toward Paris. But afterwards, when the Germans had settled their lines in the northern and eastern part of that republic, they drove down their stakes so tenaciously that all attacks of the allies have been unable to shift them very far. So in Belgium, what they gained they kept, and in Russia and Serbia, and so it looks now in Rumania. There have been brilliant advances of the allies, but nowhere, after an advance have they been able to attack so stubbornly to the acquired territory.

It is just this quality of tenacity, of stubborn adherence to the fields once taken which makes one doubtful of the issue if he is a friend of the allies, or hopeful of it if a German. It is not merely that they advance—the allies have done this; but that having advanced they get a strong and perhaps an enduring foothold.

COMMENTS OF THE PRESS**Mr. Roosevelt's Future.**

It is reported that leaders in the Republican national organization, after pondering over the result of the recent election, have reached the conclusion that Theodore Roosevelt is the real and that he must be eliminated from any speculations as to the future of the Republican party. This is easier said than done.

Mr. Roosevelt cannot be eliminated, save by his own consent, from the Republican party any more than William J. Bryan can from the Democratic party. Both men have a personal following that the party leaders cannot ignore in their calculations. Roosevelt may be a thorn in the flesh to standard Republicans, but it is foolish to hold him responsible for the defeat of Hughes. Indeed, had it not been for the Colonel's support Hughes, in all probability, would have lost other eastern states in addition to New Hampshire. There is no doubt that in New Jersey alone Roosevelt's advocacy of Hughes comes pretty near accounting for the latter's plurality. (Newark (N. J.) News.)

A Way to Get Rid of Shipping.

One of the direct causes in the world, and not a ship in it engaged in the foreign trade at the present moment," remarks a Boston paper of its own port. "This is certainly a very curious situation, when the former maritime importance of Boston is remembered. If such situation is thought desirable also for New York, Philadelphia and Baltimore, there is no better way to bring it about than to declare an embargo on the importation of war and food supplies that are now going abroad. Then foreign trade will practically be suspended along the entire Atlantic seaboard and Americans will have their own markets all to themselves." (Philadelphia Record.)

Undenatured Alcohol.

"The time is coming when every farmer will make from vegetables the alcohol which will run his automobile." Let us hope that he will not put any of the fuel in the wrong tank and set out to butt the city gas-rail on or the highway. (Louisville Courier-Journal.)

Nothing to Learn

"Germany is learning the hard way this war because she knew the most before the war started," says a German philosopher. "According to that idea, she hasn't learned who started the war because she knew before the war started." (Cleveland Plain Dealer.)

COUNTY FARM BUREAU

Hon. Frank M. Smith Chosen President at Annual Meeting

LARGELY ATTENDED GATHERING

Able and Profitable Addresses by Hon. Carl S. Vroman, Director M. C. Burritt, Prof. Martha Van Rensselaer and John D. Cary—Attendance More Than One Thousand with 517 Renewals of Membership.

It is to be regretted that every farmer and every farmer's wife in the country could not have been present and heard the eloquent appeal of Hon. Charles S. Vroman, assistant commissioner of agriculture at Washington, for the adoption of the new and scientific agriculture and the abandonment of the wastefulness of the soil's fertility of the past and the forceful presentation of the need of a thorough knowledge of home economics on the part of the housewife to the success of the business of the farmer given by Prof. Martha Van Rensselaer, head of the Home Economics department of the Cornell agricultural college, given at the afternoon session of the fourth annual meeting of the Otsego County Farm Bureau association at the Oneonta theatre yesterday. They made a fitting climax to a day of good things and the occasion was one of inspiration and helpfulness to all in attendance. The theatre was crowded to capacity with the exception of a few seats in the topmost gallery, with more than a hundred leaving when unable to secure seats below. All listened most attentively and received much of profit from all the addresses.

The official count discloses that 517 renewals of membership were received and that 1935 were in attendance during the day with the probability that numerous ones were overlooked so far as the attendance is concerned. This evidence of interest and alertness to the importance of keeping in touch with modern methods and of the latest ideas in promoting the welfare of the farmers of the state betokens much for success in the coming years.

New officers were chosen, not as indicative of any dissatisfaction with those who have so successfully piloted the association during its crucial years, but in a desire to arouse a wider interest if possible in its work and divide the responsibilities. The newly chosen president, Hon. Frank M. Smith of Springfield, is one of the alert and progressive farmers of the county, one with administrative ability and an able successor to A. W. Brown, who retires with an enviable record.

Officers Elected.

The list of officers, recommended by the nominating committee composed of Messrs. A. H. Tillson, M. G. Keenan and Clyde Hennessey and elected by the secretary casting one ballot, is as follows:

President—Frank M. Smith, Springfield.
Vice-President—Claude M. Bulson, Schenectady.
Secretary—H. Guy Roberts, Otsego.
Treasurer—C. J. Armstrong, Milford.
Directors—Waldo C. Johnston, Otsego; A. W. Brown, Plainfield; O. A. Chamberlain, Richfield Springs; H. H. Marlett, Laurens; H. Greeley Brown, Otsego.

The Morning Session.

In the absence of Hon. Charles Smith, detained in New York city by the illness of Mrs. Smith, Charles E. Westervelt, secretary of the Otsego Chamber of Commerce, made a brief but happy address of welcome at the opening of the morning session at the theatre at 10:30 o'clock, in which he voiced a generous and hearty welcome. President A. W. Brown in responding, declared that the annual meetings have been looked forward to with pleasure because they offered an opportunity to visit this city. After Dorr W. McLaury of Milford had read the minutes of the previous annual meeting, C. J. Armstrong read his reports as treasurer, which follow:

Annual report of the Otsego County Farm Bureau association for the year commencing December 1, 1915, and ending November 30, 1916.

Receipts.	
Balance on hand Dec. 1, 1915.	\$ 114.55
From membership fees	963.00
From railroads	352.50
From New York state	150.00
From United States	150.00
From Otsego County Board of Supervisors	1,500.00
From Farm Bureau News	102.70
Advertising	507.50
From State Fair for County Bureau Premium	100.00
From all other sources	490.00
	\$4,057.15

Disbursements.

Managers' travel, lodging and meal expenses	\$ 460.55
Automobile repairs, gasoline and supplies	411.57
Manager's salary	1,199.26
Stenographer's salary	142.00
Radio help	17.75
Office rent (estimated estimate \$110.00 per annum)	800.89
Stationery	102.70
Telephone and Telegrams	82.27
Equipment	71.11
Annual meeting expenses	85.00
Cow Testing as occasion	62.93
Postage	93.49
Extension work on cattle sheep, poultry, etc.	289.61
	\$ 4,151.15

Balance on hand Nov. 30, 1916.

CHAS. J. ARMSTRONG, Treasurer.

Annual report of the Otsego County Farm Bureau association from July 1, 1914, to Nov. 30, 1916.

Receipts.

From Otsego County Board of Supervisors	\$ 1,000.00
From membership fees	618.25
	\$1,618.25

Disbursements.

Manager's supplies	\$ 41.60
Manager's travel, lodging and meal expenses	245.41
Manager's salary	177.06
Telephone and telegrams	2.87
Postage	1.81
	\$ 468.75

Balance on hand, Nov. 30, 1916.

CHAS. J. ARMSTRONG, Treasurer.

Floyd S. Barlow, the Farm Bureau agent and its chief executive officer, made his report, stating that he would not submit a detailed report of all the bureau's activities which would appear in the county press shortly, but would take time to mention only a few things at this time deemed important. He referred to the tests of corn made upon some 30 farms and of the results of the tests. He stated that the plan for the coming year provides for the employment of an assistant for six months during the coming year who will do much of the detail work of these tests and enable the manager to visit many more farms during the coming year.

He called attention to the exhibit of dairy cattle made collectively by some 10 of the best herds of the county at the state fair and the winning of the first prize of \$100, which goes into the bureau treasury. This notable victory emphasizes the worth of Otsego bred cattle and brings them into demand.

Mr. Barlow emphasized the importance of farmers securing more pure bred stock, availing that even the increased price secured for milk had been largely discounted by the increased cost of feed and declared that the profitability of the herd must be considered. He reported the following program for the year, subject two and three enumerated in the major part being the ones to which most attention will be given:

Major 1—An efficient farm bureau association.
2—Better live stock—better cared for.
3—Collective marketing.
4—Soil improvement.
5—Improved yields and quality for forage crops.

Minor 1—Farm management—studies and cost accounting.
2—Development and standardization of cash crops.
3—Control of crop diseases.

Mrs. Lucinda E. Tuller of Mt. Vision followed with the report of the activities of the Jersey club of which she is secretary. The report of President P. R. Bennett of the Holstein club was read by Dorr W. McLaury. Mr. Bennett being prevented from attendance by illness. Hon. Frank M. Smith reported for the Guernsey club of which he is president and John A. Curry of Hartwick reported for the Sheep Breeders' association of which he is president. It is regretted that space prevents the publication of these reports, which were interesting and evidenced that each organization is doing effective work.

Afternoon Session.

Hon. Frank M. Smith, the newly elected president, on taking the chair

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TEMPERATURE YESTERDAY.
8 a. m. - 51
2 p. m. - 53
8 p. m. - 45
Maximum 56 Minimum 43

LOCAL MENTION.

—Margaret Pearl Mason has been adopted by Thomas J. and Olive Alley.

—A 20 cent supper will be served in the Free Baptist church Saturday evening.

—Mr. and Mrs. Edward D. Lewis have closed Collierville for the winter and are at their Grove street residence.

—At a meeting of the directors of the County Club, held last evening, Jacob Mayer, Arthur Reynolds, and Earl P. Thomas were elected members.

—The members of the board of supervisors evidenced their interest in the success of the Farm Bureau meeting here yesterday by adjourning and attending in a body.

—The drawing of Architect Epps of the front of the new Elm Park church to be erected on Lower Chestnut street is on exhibition in the window of March, the druggist.

—The trolley company made excellent provision for handling the crowd in attendance at the Farm Bureau meeting. The train out of Oneonta at 1:15 o'clock was run in four sections.

—The new advertisements in this issue after Oneonta Department Store, Inc., Happy Hour, Baker Brothers, Theatre Oneonta, L. P. Butts, The Strand, Oneonta and Delaware Telephone Co., The Casino, John R. Todd, Gardner & Stevens, Inc., Laskaris, Boston Candy Kitchen, Jennings & Bates.

—An interesting feature of the profitable gathering of the Farm Bureau association here yesterday, was the presence of the 13 members of the agricultural class of the Worcester High school with their principal in that department, Prof. Blumer. The young men took notes on the speeches and no doubt profited much from the gathering.

—Patrons of the Lecture course holding season tickets may make reservations for the "Melting Pot" at the Corner Bookstore this morning after 8 o'clock without additional charge. The management declines to accept the responsibility of furnishing seats for the drama Thursday evening, to ticket holders who neglect to make such reservations. Seats for the "Melting Pot" may also be secured at the same time by those who desire to attend this entertainment, but do not hold season tickets, at 75 cents each.

Meetings Today.

The Mothers' club will meet for a social time at the First Baptist church at 3 p. m. today. Mrs. Charles Clark of Bainbridge will be present and give a talk on illustrated microscopic views of paintings of the Madonna. Quarterly collection will be taken. All ladies of the city are invited.

The Ladies Aid society of the Methodist church will meet in the church parlors this afternoon at 2:30. Ladies come prepared to quilt.

The Men's club of the Free Baptist church will meet in the parlors of the church tonight at 7:15. An enjoyable program will be rendered by the orchestra. The speaker of the evening will be Chang Lok Tan. Refreshments will be served. All members of the Men's club with their friends are cordially invited.

Special meeting of Sincerity club at club rooms, Fairchild building, Wednesday evening, December 6, at 7:15 p. m. Important business. All members requested to be present. Claude Gregory, secretary.

Regular meeting Royal Rebekah lodge, 141, this evening at 7:30. Officers are requested to be present for drill.

The Ladies' circle of the Free Baptist church will meet in the assembly at 3 p. m. sharp. Miss Edith Seagrave and will give an account of her visit to the Hawaiian Islands. Lantern slides will be used. A cordial invitation is extended to all the ladies of the church to attend. Hostesses: Mrs. Barney, Mrs. Buchanan, Mrs. Welch.

The ladies of the Chapin Memorial church will meet with Mrs. J. J. Turner, 16 Grand street, this afternoon at 2 o'clock. A full attendance is requested, as there is plenty of work and business of importance.

Meeting Thursday.

Plaine W. C. T. U. will hold their regular monthly meeting and social time at the home of Mrs. Alice Smith, Pony farm, Thursday evening. All are cordially invited.

Elks Annual Roll Call.

Oneonta lodge, No. 1,212, E. P. O. Elks, anticipate a rousing session this evening at the annual roll call, with practically all members in attendance. A large class will be initiated and after the business session a turkey dinner will be served.

Military Sale.

We are still selling our hats at great reductions, also a new line of white hats for this week. Smith & Ludlow, 215 Main Street.

The regular Wednesday evening dance will be held at Liberty hall this evening. Dancing from 9 until 1. Come and enjoy an evening of pleasure. advt 11

Automobile Storage.

Winter storage for automobiles at reasonable rates. Inquire Saxon Sales company. advt 21

Fresh rye flour; cranberries 10c; raisins package 10c; prunes, two lbs. for 25c; pink celery; rice 7c lb. White corn, 2 1/2 lb. sack. advt 11

Phone Mrs. Marcella M. Multer, 216-W, for insurance on house, household goods and other property. advt 21

CITY BUDGET FOR 1916

REQUESTS OF VARIOUS CITY COMMISSIONS TOTAL \$52,055 FOR ENSUING YEAR.

Other Estimates for General Expenses About as in 1915 — There is Also Probable Appropriation of \$90,000 to be Covered by Bond Issue for Sewage Disposal Plant.

The city council met last evening, the mayor and all members present except Alderman Webb. Some routine business was transacted and permissions were granted to the Lotos Brothers to repair and enlarge their building on Main street, and to the Oneonta and Delaware company for certain betterments to its property on Wall street. Bills were also audited to the amount of \$1,998 from the general fund and \$35.68 from the charity fund.

The most interesting feature of the evening's work was the presentation of the estimates of the several city boards, which are required by the city charter before the budget for the ensuing year can be adopted. The estimates of the six city commissions are as follows:

Public works	\$22,753.00
Police	8,954.00
Fire	19,750.00
Park	4,010.00
Health	2,725.00
Charity	2,550.00
Total	\$52,055.00

These figures are \$214 less than the sum which was asked last year by the various commissions, and like the estimates of 1915 will no doubt be pared down somewhat in order to get within the one per cent which by the charter the board is allowed to levy. In the levy must also be included the general fund, which includes \$3,700 for water, \$12,500 for lighting and \$17,999 for general city expenses. Outside the budget the city will raise \$21,057.93 for bonds and interest, of which sum \$16,799 will be for retiring bonds.

In addition to the above the estimate of the Public Works board includes an estimate of \$90,000 for the construction of a sewage disposal plant and other matters connected therewith. This, however, is not to be included in the sum to be raised by tax, as it will be paid for by a bond issue in case the sewage disposal plant is constructed.

The estimates of the various departments were read by the clerk, after which they were referred to the finance committee of the council. The taxes, based on these estimates, will be about the same as last year.

THE PLAY OF "KATY DID."

Will Be Presented by Students of Oneonta High School Friday Evening.

The students of the Oneonta High school, who for some time have been rehearsing under the competent direction of Miss Ruth Thomas, will present the play of "Katy Did," by Gladys Ruth Bridgeman, at the Woman's club auditorium on Friday evening of this week. The play in itself is a most interesting contrast of the days of the late war and those of the present and there is no doubt that the young ladies and gentlemen of the high school will do honor alike to themselves and their competent instructor.

The scene of the play is in a room of the ancestral home of Katherine Bradford in 1774, Madame LaGrave's seminary. The time of the prologue and epilogue is in the spring of 1916. The following is the

Cast of Characters.

Jonathan Edwards Bradford—Damon Gutman.
Richard Pendleton—Earl Clapp.
Lloyd Evermonde—Crosby Seybold.
Madame Cecilia LaGrave—Jane Gordon.
Anne Rideout—Elizabeth Brownell.
Penelope Taylor—Mary Lauren.
Hope Winthrop—Kathleen Van-Cleft.

Stephen and Marie, children of Madame—Willard Tarbox and Beatrice Sufferin.

Margaret Calhoun—Dorothea Glasgow.
Katherine Pendleton—Aurelia Trauger.

The production at the Woman's club on Friday evening will be for the members of that organization. On the following Monday evening it will be repeated at the high school auditorium. Tickets for the latter performance will go on sale later in the present week, and will be offered at 25 cents each.

Exhibition Postponed.

The exhibit of painting and art metal work from the Elverborg colony, which was advertised for this evening at the Woman's club, has been indefinitely postponed.

"THE MARRIAGE OF MOLLY-O."

Mac Marsh and Robert Barron in Irish Love Story at Strand Today.

A quaint Irish love story, "The Marriage of Molly-O," will please all patrons of the Strand today. The play features Mac Marsh and Robert Barron two well known screen favorites. The program will conclude with a Keystone comedy that will excite your risibilities to the bursting point. Bring the children; they will enjoy it as much as you. advt 11

For Sale—Home bake stuff at Oneonta Department store, Wednesday and Saturday afternoons until after the holidays. advt 11

Strayed—A yellow Angora cat. Finder please telephone A. G. Russell, 157-W. advt 11

Mrs. Lula Warner, Dressmaker, has moved from 7 Center street to 57 West street. advt 11

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MODEL CITY GOVERNMENT

City Attorney Owen C. Becker Addresses Oneonta Woman's Club.

Before a small but attentive and appreciative audience at the Woman's club last evening, City Attorney Owen C. Becker delivered an interesting address on "City Government," with particular emphasis on the administration of public affairs and the performance of public business.

In introducing his subject Mr. Becker reminded his hearers that to have a successful government the best business methods must be employed and men of intelligence and integrity must be selected to put those methods into execution. The methods or science by which a city must be governed is prescribed in their charters, and the rules and regulations which the charter permits the city officials to enact.

There are four distinct types or schemes of city government in the United States today: Aldermanic, consisting of a mayor and a common council or board of aldermen; commission, consisting of various administrative non-partisan committees, acting with a mayor elected by the people or by commission, and invested with full authority of city business; a combination of the two, consisting of an elective mayor, aldermen and commissioners in charge of different departments; and last of all, the system with a city manager at its head, eliminating to the last possible degree political influence.

Mr. Becker gave illustrations of the various forms of government, telling of their strong points and their defects, but maintaining that the last named system will prove to be the most satisfactory when trained men can be found to perform the work.

He told of the marvelous transformation worked out in the city government of Galveston, Texas, after the disastrous flood of 1900, when the government absolutely failed, and the commission form inaugurated thereafter put the city on a sound business basis again. He also told of the model forms of government in force in Des Moines, Iowa, and Seattle, Wash., where the referendum and the recall are oftentimes to good advantage, but where they might be sometimes used to the detriment of the city.

Referring to the quasi-commission form of government in force in Oneonta, Mr. Becker told of the fact that it is one of the most satisfactory yet devised—the same form used with such good results in Boston—and the most satisfactory of all save the City Manager plan. Aside from the selection of the mayor and the aldermen, all administrative work is in the hands of non-political commissions, with full power to expend money for the various departments. He gave detailed information as to the methods of selecting the commissioners and how they have full powers over their respective branches of the administrative service.

The speaker was introduced by Mrs. I. S. Dawley, who at the close of his address tendered him a vote of thanks on behalf of the Woman's club.

THE ROAD TO HAPPINESS.

Champion Comedy Company to Present Broadway Success at Theatre Today.

One of the big Broadway successes which the Champion Comedy company will present with Miss Kathleen Barry and Louis J. Morgan at the theatre this afternoon and evening, is William Hodge's last season's tremendous rural comedy drama success, "The Road to Happiness."

The four acts take place in a northern New York village, a semi-rural community where Whitman is a carpenter by day and tells over his law books by night. Some thing of the youth of Abraham Lincoln is said to be reflected in the character of this sturdy young man and would-be lawyer, Jim Whitman. The love romance of Whitman is involved in a mystery of a little baby foundling left on the door steps of the squire, the village magnate.

The play has been described by one of the Chicago critics, where it ran for 25 weeks, as being "Sug Harbor, Way Down East, and the Man from Home, all rolled into one."

Reserve your seats early. Matinee 10 and 20 cents; evening 10, 20, 30 and 50c.

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Notice.

The party who took the electric iron from the basement of the French Shop is known. Please leave the iron at The Star office and no questions will be asked. C. F. Baker. advt 21

A dance for married people will be held in Liberty hall Thursday evening, to which all married folks are invited. Music by Wolcott. Dancing from 9 until 1 o'clock. advt 11

Dr. Parish has removed his office to 75 Chestnut street, corner of Watkins avenue. Office hours 1 to 3 p. m. Evenings 7 to 8, except Monday and Wednesday. advt 121

Christmas Post Cards 5c Dozen.

Best Christmas and New Year's penny post cards 5c a dozen. The Oneonta Press. advt 21

Piano Tuning.

C. B. Hill, phone 606-W. The only resident tuner in the city. advt 21

On Friday evening, Dec. 8, a social dance will be given at 115 River street. Albert Higgins, manager. advt 31

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On Saturday, December 9, at Slade's Drug store. advt 51

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\$20.00 values	13.50
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Many of these Suits formerly sold for \$15 and \$20.

Special prices for today's sale of Children's, Women's and Misses' Coats.

Many timely offerings in Kilt Underwear.

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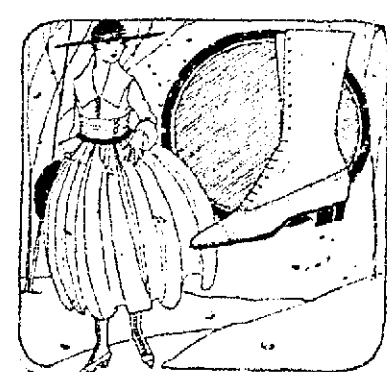
Wool Underwear 98c to \$1.50.

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Big reduction in all Trimmed Hats for today's sale.

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Women's Shoes \$1.95 \$2.95 \$3.95

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One set knife and fork, 100

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A pimply face will not embarrass you much longer if you get a package of Dr. Edwards' Olive Tablets. The skin should be clear after you have taken the tablets a few nights.

Cleanse the blood, the bowels and the liver with Dr. Edwards' Olive Tablets, the successful substitute for calomel—there's never any sickness or pain after taking them.

Dr. Edwards' Olive Tablets do that which calomel does, and just as effectively, but their action is gentle and safe instead of severe and irritating.

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Take one or two nightly for a week. See how much better you feel and look. 10c and 25c per box. All druggists.

SIGNS 10 CENTS EACH

Boarders Wanted, Rooms Wanted To Rent, For Sale, etc. at The Star Office.

COUNTY FARM BUREAU

(Continued from Page Four.)

At the opening of the afternoon session took occasion to express his thanks for the honor of being chosen as president of the largest farm bureau in the state and pledged his best efforts to maintain the high standard maintained in the past.

After Gardner's orchestra had rendered a pleasing selection and responded to the applause with an encore, John L. Cary of Richfield Springs gave one of his characteristic and stirring addresses full of meat, in which he emphasized the benefits of attendance upon Farmers' Week at Cornell, declaring it to be a demonstration by experts where every line of farming activity may be studied inclusive of home economics and to be as near a general education upon any subject as one could possibly acquire within a week's time. The expense is not to exceed \$15 and in value it is worth several times that amount. You will gain a new aspiration and a true inspiration and the value of the week's expenditures is not to be reckoned. An effort is being made to secure an attendance of at least 50 from this county the coming winter and he requested all who will attend to notify Mr. Gardner that a special car may be arranged to leave Oneonta together.

At C. Burritt, state director of farm bureaus, was the second speaker of the afternoon. He brought the congratulations of the state department to the county bureau and in his treatment of his subject, The Growth of the Farm Bureau Movement, he stated that there are now 1,200 organizations in as many counties of the 2,900 in the country and 26 in the Empire state. He emphasized the importance of good organization and wise leadership to bring effective results and declared that only with an effective partnership between science and practice, between the agricultural institutions and the farmers on the farm can the industry be placed upon the high level to which it should attain. Alluding to the milk problem he voiced a conviction that the struggle has only begun and that ceaseless activity only will secure permanent results.

Importance of Home Economics.

Prof. Martha Van Rensselaer, head of the Home Economics department at Cornell, was the third speaker of the afternoon and she forcibly and in well chosen words alluded to the fact that the successful conduct of a farm or of any business enterprise is dependent upon the partnership between the man and the woman. The important thing is that the latter be able to spend wisely to feed, clothe and shelter the family in such a manner that the funds are conserved and the amount be within the means of the family. She properly placed emphasis upon the wisdom of developing the specific interest of each member of the household in certain duties and responsibilities. It has been said, she declared, that without a thrifty housewife, the farmer might as well abandon the farm. She needs also to know how to feed the man properly for their work quite as much as he needs to know how to feed the stock to get the best results. She is a conspicuous economic factor and the successful management and operation of the farm is quite as dependent upon her skill and knowledge as upon the man who directs the farm work. Her address was full of interest and profit and received the close attention of all and a cordial applause when she ended.

Federal Support Given.

Hon. Carl S. Vroman of the national department of agriculture was introduced to the gathering by Hon. L. D. Butts in a happy vein, presenting him as a successful farmer of the middle west. Mr. Vroman gave a most inspiring and thoughtful address in which he forcibly emphasized the need of bringing the most approved and scientific methods added at the experimental stations and directly to the aid of the farmer and this is being done in the most sensible and practical way by means of the Farm Bureau agents.

Continuing he spoke in part as follows:

In the last half century the department of agriculture has spent some two hundred and fifty million dollars largely in research and experiment, to the end that American agriculture might be put on a high plane of efficiency. The results of this research and experiment have been agronomy and animal industry, a vast, but largely unexplored and unco-ordinated mass of information about how to grow crops and livestock. During this period the department has been accumulating and hoarding a vast mass of facts about how to increase production.

Now the farmer who makes two blades of grass grow where only one grew before may be a good agronomist, but if he cannot sell his second blades at a profit he is a poor farmer. In other words, farming is primarily a business. Very few practical farmers till the soil to demonstrate principles of agronomy. They produce crops to live rather than live to produce crops. If one more than large production they want profitable production.

It seems strange that a fact as simple as this should have been overlooked for many years. Every farmer at one time or another has been brought face to face with the problem of big crops and small returns. He has often been forced to the conclusion that the larger crops have cost the less money you make. And statistics all too frequently have backed up this conclusion. In 1912, for example, the country produced 477,724,000 more bushels of corn than in 1915, and yet the farmers received \$171,628,000 less.

In order to find a solution for this and a host of other problems in agricultural economics that involve the farmer's financial success or failure, the present administration created a new bureau called the office of markets and rural organization. It has been in

operation only two years, and has not yet solved any large number of the problems, but the very fact of its creation, the fact that the department of agriculture at last has undertaken the stupendous task of charting for the farmer the treacherous and congested economic sea and of pointing out to him the shoals and reefs, the tides and undertows which have brought shipwreck to many thousands in the past, is a matter of historic moment.

Another recent achievement of prime importance has been the working out of a system of direct retail distribution to the farmer of the accumulated results of the scientific research of the last half century.

Fewer than a dozen years ago the Department of Agriculture was almost as far removed from actual contact with the masses of our farmers as the state department or the coast and geologic survey. No widespread, continuous, and systematic effort had then been made to carry agricultural education to the farmer by word of mouth or by demonstration; the office of farm management was a minor appendage of the older bureaus; the publications of the department were lucky if they escaped being still-born, so little was the effort made to popularize them and to interest the farmers in them by means of the press.

It is difficult to realize that a major government department, established for the specific purpose of informing the people, spending millions of dollars of the people's money every year for research work, could ever have been so indifferent to the practical application of the results of its research as the Department of Agriculture seemed to be until a few years ago. Yet one has only to glance over the current list of farmers' bulletins to find evidence of that seeming indifference.

Many of the so-called farmers' bulletins are really technical papers; many of the most fundamental features of every-day farming are not discussed at all. Indeed, here and there appears a most astonishing blunder. For example, we find listed a bulletin on guinea pigs, but no popular bulletin on the care of the brood sow; a treatise on silver fox farming, but no farmers' bulletin on the dairy cow; a compendium of information on raising pheasants, but none on raising colts. Thus, even today, with the agricultural renaissance well on foot in many respects, the department still labors under an embarrassing handicap in the matter of simple, concise bulletins on fundamental farming operations. But this situation is being remedied as rapidly as possible. The best brains in the department are now being devoted to the preparation of concise, popular bulletins on the essentials of practical farming.

An even more important popular educational movement has been instituted by means of the Smith-Lever bill. This bill has set in motion a plan which will within a few years will place every county in the United States that is willing to co-operate with the state and federal governments an agricultural county agent, an official who is really a species of deputy secretary of agriculture. This work is modeled on the agricultural demonstration work started several years ago by the late Seaman A. Knapp in the southern states, and within a very few years will result in an annual expenditure of anywhere from ten to twenty million dollars, and is planning to bring the latest and most successful scientific methods directly to the door of the American farmer.

I was told the other day by a banker from Central New York that in two short years one of our county agents located in his county has done more for the farmers of that county than the entire department of agriculture had done during the fifty years preceding. This same miracle is being wrought today in over a thousand counties in this country, though the Smith-Lever bill is not yet three years old.

Thus in a number of ways the government is trying to help the farmer to increase his legitimate profits. The future of American agriculture hangs upon that. Not until the average farmer makes an income comparable with his neighbor and in keeping with his contribution to the well-being of society will he be in a position to enter into his own as regards the larger issues of life. Purely sociological problems end, here, where vital importance of first solving the farmer's economic problems if he would be a foundation from which to work out a solution of

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his higher problems. Thus a discussion of the fundamentals of the new agriculture becomes largely a discussion of the problems of how to make the science of agriculture boost the business of farming.

It was 4 o'clock when Verne R. Pape, the gifted reader and impersonator was presented and the audience in large part was leaving the hall to catch the trains leaving at that hour. Mr. Pape did admirably under most disagreeable conditions, for which no one was to blame, in his rendition of Miss Tarbell's "As I Knew Lincoln." He was loudly cheered by those who heard him and he responded with a number in lighter vein, which also was heard with satisfaction.

The fourth annual gathering was a most pronounced success and most helpful to all in attendance, promising an even larger attendance another year. The local committee, composed of M. G. Keenan, C. E. Westervelt, John W. Orr, E. L. Hall and Frank McKee, is deserving of much credit for their successful efforts.

Annual Meetings Announced.

The following annual meetings of al-

lied organizations were announced: Guernsey club, at the Oneonta hotel, Oneonta, Jan. 11, 1917; Holstein club, at Richfield Springs, Jan. 18, 1917; Jersey club, Jan. 22. Place to be announced.

Chicken Pie Supper Tonight.

This evening, commencing at 5:30 o'clock, the annual chicken pie supper and fair of the Ladies' Aid society of the Methodist Episcopal church at Portandville will be held and an invitation is extended to the public. Several from Oneonta are planning to attend.

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OFFICERS ELECTED.

Daughters of Isabella.

At the annual meeting of Court Regina, Daughters of Isabella, held last evening, the following officers were elected:

Grand Regent—Mrs. Elizabeth La. Beau.

Vice Grand Regent—Mrs. Nell Slater.

Proprietress—Miss Dora Gilmartin.

Historian—Mrs. Leola Moskell.

Financial Secretary—Mrs. Mary Purcell.

Treasurer—Miss Katherine Finley.

Monitor—Miss Katherine Carless.

Sentinel—Miss Mary Owens.

Organist—Miss Irene Hayes.

Trustees—Mrs. Anna Morgan, Mrs. Margaret Yauch, Mrs. Margaret Thornburn.

Be sure to attend the dance at Liberty hall tonight. Dancing commences at 9 o'clock. The music will be furnished by Wolcott. advt 11

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The Bargain Store, 20 Broad St., Is Going Out Of Business

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And no matter which you get, from the smallest to the largest, it is always the supreme musical instrument of the world, and it brings you the true art of the world's greatest singers, musicians, comedians, bands and orchestras.

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